

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please add the following claims:

15. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit comprising:
 - (a) a housing having an inner chamber and an outer surface;
 - (b) at least one free running hub having a inner surface and a first and second coupling, wherein the first coupling comprises a first set female threads formed on said inner surface for mating with the ends of the conduit and said second coupling comprises a second set female threads formed on said inner surface for mating with the ends of the housing; and
 - (c) a flexible membrane disposed within the inner chamber of said housing adjacent to said at least one free running hub.
16. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit according to claim 15, further comprising means for purging any air, other gases or moisture, which may be trapped within the inner chamber of said housing.
17. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit according to claim 15, wherein the housing is defined by a mid-section, which is substantially cylindrically shaped, and two free running hubs are disposed on, and mounted to, opposite ends of the mid-section.
18. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit according to claim 17, wherein a flexible membrane is disposed on the inside surface of each of the free running hubs adjacent to the shoulder.
19. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit according to claim 15, wherein the sealant compound disposed within said inner chamber is a polyurethane-based epoxy.
20. (NEW) An apparatus for sealing a conduit according to claim 15, wherein the flexible membrane is generally disk-shaped, formed of neoprene and has at least one opening for accommodating one or more cables.